



EVERYDAY CURRENT AFFAIRS – JUNE 9, 2026

STATE

Tamil Nadu Launches Singappen Special Task Force for Women's and Children's Safety

- Singappen Special Task Force has been launched by the Government of Tamil Nadu on June 9, 2026 at Rajarathinam Stadium to strengthen the safety of women and children.
- Functioning under the supervision of Chief Minister C. Joseph Vijay, the all-women unit will focus on surveillance, patrolling vulnerable locations, and rapid response to complaints.
- The force has a sanctioned strength of 36 personnel led by IGP K. Bhavaneeswari.
- It will cover bus stands, railway stations, educational institutions, and IT hubs, aiming to improve preventive policing, increase visibility, and ensure safer public spaces across the state.

SCHEMES

Pradhan Mantri Surakshit Matritva Abhiyaan Completes 10 Years: A Decade of Safer Motherhood in India

- The Pradhan Mantri Surakshit Matritva Abhiyaan completed 10 years on June 9, 2026, marking a decade of improving maternal healthcare in India.
- Launched in 2016, the scheme provides free antenatal care to pregnant women on the 9th of every month at government health facilities.

- Over 7.5 crore women have benefited from services such as health check-ups, diagnostic tests, counselling, and high-risk pregnancy screening.
- The programme has contributed to better maternal health outcomes, with India's Maternal Mortality Ratio declining from 130 (2014-16) to 87 (2022-24), supporting safer pregnancies and childbirth across the country.

DEFENSE

Lt Commander Suraj Prashar Awarded Shaurya Chakra for Bravery During Operation Chuntawadi

- Suraj Prashar, a Lieutenant Commander in the Marine Commandos, was awarded the Shaurya Chakra, India's third-highest peacetime gallantry award, by Droupadi Murmu at the Defence Investiture Ceremony 2026 held at Rashtrapati Bhavan on June 8, 2026.
- He was honored for his exceptional bravery during Operation Chuntawadi, a joint anti-terror operation conducted in November 2024 in Bandipora district.
- The award recognizes his courage, professionalism, and devotion to duty while serving in one of India's elite special operations forces.

SPORTS

India Tops World Yogasana Championship 2026 Medal Table with Record 114 Medals

- India emerged as the overall champion at the inaugural World Yogasana Championship 2026, held at EKA Arena from June 4-8, 2026.
- The Indian contingent delivered a dominant performance, topping the medal tally with 114 medals, including 102 gold, 9 silver, and 3 bronze medals.
- The championship featured 522 athletes from 79 countries competing across traditional, artistic, rhythmic, and specialized Yogasana disciplines.
- Japan finished second with 11 medals, while Argentina secured third place. Nepal impressed with 52 medals, the second-highest overall tally.
- The event highlighted the growing global popularity of Yogasana and reinforced India's leadership in the sport rooted in its yoga heritage.

SUMMITS & CONFERENCES NEWS

Indore to Host BRICS Agriculture Meeting 2026, Focus on Food Security and Smart Farming

- Indore is hosting a five-day BRICS agriculture meeting under India's presidency from June 9-13, 2026. Announced by Shivraj Singh Chouhan, the event includes the Agriculture Working Group meeting (June 9-11) and the Agriculture Ministers' Meeting (June 12-13).
- Discussions will focus on food security, farmer welfare, climate-resilient agriculture, digital farming, artificial intelligence, robotics, agricultural trade, and supply-chain resilience.
- Representing nearly half of the world's population and over 42% of global agricultural production, BRICS countries aim to strengthen cooperation in sustainable agriculture and innovation.
- The meeting is expected to conclude with a joint declaration outlining shared priorities and future collaboration in the agricultural sector.

